GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COAL
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VACANT POSTS IN CIL.
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Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) whether a large number of posts of mining Engineers, Sr. Executives and others are lying vacant in Coal India Limited and its subsidiaries ;

(b) if so, the details and the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the production of coal has decreased and accidents in coal mines have increased over the years for want of adequate officers and staff;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) the total production of coal in each Subsidiary of Coal India and the total number of accidents that occurred in each subsidiary of CIL during the last three years and till date; and

(f) the steps being taken by the Government for filling these vacant posts as well as increasing production and reducing accidents in mines ?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR COAL AND MINIS (Dr. DASARI NARAYANA RAO)

(a & b): The job of assessment of vacancies /requirement is being entrusted to an Institute of Management of repute.

(c & d): No. Sir.

(e): Subsidiary wise coal production during last three years and current year up to July, 2005 is as under:

In million tonnes

Company	2005-06(upto July 05(prov)	2004-05	2003-04	2002-03
ECL	8.07	27.25	28.00	27.18
BCCL	6.23	22.32	22.68	24.15
CCL	10.76	37.38	37.33	36.98
NCL	14.88	49.96	47.03	45.10
WCL	13.39	41.41	39.53	37.82
SECL	25.08	78.53	71.08	66.60
MCL	21.47	58.08	60.05	52.23
NEC	0.19	0.63	0.73	0.63
Total	100.97	323.58	306.36	290.69

Mine accident statistics are maintained calendar year wise in accordance with Director General Mines Safety (DGMS) practice. As such the number of accidents in each subsidiary company during the last three years and current year till July is given below:

	2002		2003		2004		2005	
Company	Fatal	Serious	Fatal	Serious	Fatal	Serious	Fatal	Serious
ECL	9	191	13	171	18	111	4	25
BCCL	68	12	60	11	71	8	13	
CCL	11	26	6	27	10	21	1	7
MCL	3	17	7	12	4	15	4	2
NCL	1	9	2	18	3	6	1	4
NEC	_	-	-	-	2	-	1	-
SECL	13	111	11	92	8	73	4	38
WCL	15	60	9	67	13	52	4	15

TOTAL 62 482 60 447 69 416 26 104

Note: Including disaster at Central Saunda Colliery on 15-6-05. All figures for 2004 and 2005 are subject to reconciliation with DGMS. Serious accidents in CCL and WCL in 2003 are subject to reconciliation with DGMS.

(f). Regarding filling up vacant post in executive cadre at entry level, it is stated that CIL has already issued an advertisement for filling up 364 posts in various disciplines including 196 posts for mining discipline. , CIL has taken several steps to increase coal production which are as under:

i) 101 mining projects are envisaged to be undertaken in X Plan, which is planned to produce the incremental output.

ii). Improvement in equipment utilization

iii) Mechanization/modernization of existing mines

iv) Timely implementation of projects

v). All new mines being planned with mechanization

vi) Increasing productivity in underground and opencast mines.

vii)Allotment of coal mining blocks for captive end use.

To reduce accidents in mines, the following steps have been taken by CIL and the subsidiary companies:

i)Thrust on training and retraining of workmen, supervisors and managers to increase safety awareness.

ii) Issue of guidelines for safer operations in identified thrust areas through circulars.

ii) Promoting participation of workers in safety management.

iv)Promoting self regulation by management.

v)Tri-partite and Bi-paxtite review of safety status at various levels.

vi)Observance of safety week and safety campaigns.

vii)Generating safety awareness and information dissemination.

viii)National Conference on Safety in Mines.

ix)National Safety Awards.

x)Interactions at different forums with a view to promote safety, health and welfare of persons employed in mines.

xi)Introduction to the concept of Risk Assessment preparation of Safety Management Plan and development of Emergency Response System,

xii) Facilitating introduction of new technology in rnining with low potential risk.